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Dear East Fishkill Residents,

As we are all excited for the Holiday Season, I want to take a moment to express my sincere appreciation to our wonderful community. It is a privilege to be your Town Supervisor, it is a position I am honored to hold, and I will continue to work hard for the betterment of our community and every single person living here. This year in particular, is very important to remember what we all hold dear, our family and friends.

East Fishkill residents have all seen in one way or another, their lives affected by the Coronavirus. So many of us have experienced a loved one passing away, or perhaps jobs were lost, our children are now learning remotely or countless activities have cancelled that we all loved to attend or do. This has been extremely difficult both physically and mentally, but it has not deterred our spirit. The spirit of our community is so very strong, that it makes me hopeful and excited for our future.

This year I've witnessed so many wonderful ways our community has come together. The Town Board and I have worked with our business community to brainstorm different ways we can overcome the COVID challenges and lighten the burden on our small business owners. I have had countless calls and correspondences from residents who ask if they can volunteer their time to help residents in need, seniors, veterans and our youth community. This show of community spirit has filled my heart and I thank you all for thinking of your neighbors and community. Our East Fishkill residents have been so resilient, kind, generous, giving and compassionate during these unprecedented times; this defines who we are and what the meaning of community is to us.

We are all exhausted from the Coronavirus. I congratulate you all on your patience, cooperation and for helping others in need. We are all grateful for our frontline workers who have protected our community and put themselves in harm's way in order to care for us, our families and our neighbors. They are true HEROES!

Our town government and all of our services have continued this year for our community. I thank all of our dedicated employees who are devoted to assisting our residents. We continue to plan for our future events such as, East Fishkill Community Day, Halloween parties and Holiday ceremonies as well as our summer camps; all of which had to be cancelled in 2020 to keep everyone safe from the virus. As we have pivoted through this trying year, the alternate events that took place were all a huge success.

In conclusion, once again, I thank you all! We have a great community with amazing residents in which I am grateful for. I am blessed to be your Supervisor and together we'll make 2021 our BEST YEAR EVER. Have a wonderful and joyous holiday season. Please stay safe and as always, I love East Fishkill, it truly is A Great Place to Live!

Warmest regards, Nicholas D'Alessandro, Supervisor Town of East Fishkill